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VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

ALWAYS FOR LIBERTY AND THE PUBLICK GOOD.

High HEAVEN *to* GRACIOUS ENDS *directs the* STORM!

IN CONGRESS, *October* 30, 1776.

RESOLVED, that the rank of officers of marines be the ſame as officers of ſimilar commiſſions in the land ſervice.

That the commanders, officers, ſeamen, and marines in the continental navy, be entitled to one half of merchantmen, tranſports, and ſtoreſhips by them taken, from and after the firſt day of November 1776, to be divided amongſt them in the ſhares and proportions fixed by former reſolutions of Congreſs.

That the commanders, officers, ſeamen, and marines in the continental navy, be entitled to the whole value of all ſhips and veſſels of war belonging to the crown of Great Britain by them made prize of, and all privateers authoriſed by his Britannick majeſty to war againſt theſe ſtates, to be divided as aforeſaid.

By order of Congreſs.

JOHN HANCOCK, preſident.

OCTOBER 31, 1776.

WHEREAS it is repreſented to Congreſs, that ſundry inhabitants of theſe United States, to keep ſupplies from the army, or promote their own intereſt, have purchaſed conſiderable quantities of CLOTHING, and refuſe to diſpoſe of the ſame, unleſs upon extravagant or unreaſonable terms:

Reſolved, that it be recommended to the Aſſemblies, Conventions, Councils or Committees of Safety of the ſeveral ſtates, forthwith to take ſuitable meaſures for obtaining for the uſe of the army ſuch neceſſary articles as, being thus engroſſed in their reſpective ſtates, cannot be otherwiſe immediately procured, allowing to the owners reaſonable prices for the ſame; and that laws be provided, in each of the ſtates, for effectually preventing MONOPOLIES of NECESSARIES for the army, or inhabitants of the ſame.

Extract from the minutes.

CHARLES THOMSON, ſecretary.

To the Honourable the ASSEMBLY *of* VIRGINIA.

GENTLEMEN,

THE declining ſtate of the COLLEGE has long been an object of concern to every one, who had any regard for the reputation and welfare of his country; and it was hoped that ſomething towards its ſupport would have been done at the laſt meeting of the Convention, but it ſo happened that matters of more immediate importance filled up the period of that ſeſſion. You are now again met, to conſult for the good of your country; and permit me to ſay, that, amongſt all the various methods of doing it a great and laſting ſervice, one more effectual cannot be imagined than the maintaining and eſtabliſhing ſeminaries of learning. Were this addreſs directed to the people at large, it might be neceſſary to expend ſome pains in proving the truth of this aſſertion; but the legiſlative body of a ſtate muſt ſurely be ſufficiently acquainted with the benefits of a good education to know of what infinite utility it is to a community, eſpecially a free one, that its youth have opportunities of being well inſtructed. The College of WILLIAM & MARY, I make no doubt, will be one of the objects of your preſent conſideration; and you will probably find it more expedient to favour it with a new charter, than to confirm the old one. Should this be the caſe, I would humbly ſubmit it to your wiſdom to determine, whether, amongſt the many particulars in which the new ought to differ from the old, the following may not very properly be included.

By the old charter, the number of viſiters cannot be leſs than 18, nor more than 20, and theſe may be choſen out of any part of Virginia. Now if viſiters are of any uſe (and, in my opinion, they may be in a very eminent degree) it is only when they live within 30 or 40 miles of the College, or within a convenient diſtance to attend whenever ſummoned. Any who live at a greater diſtance are worſe than nothing, by preventing often thoſe who do meet from proceeding upon buſineſs, for want of a majority. Again, a multitude is generally obſerved to be an obſtruction to buſineſs; but where any matter reſts with a few, they are careful to attend, and more likely to give the neceſſary deſpatch. So that, perhaps, the good of the College might be beſt provided for by appointing not more than 12 viſiters, and confining the choice of them to a circle of 40 miles, at moſt, around the College. As the College has hitherto been ſituated, although part of its revenues was the gift of our legiſlature, it was in no manner under their controul. For the future, the caſe ought to be different; for this plain reaſon, leſt the bounty of the country ſhould be abuſed. Viſiters, therefore, ſhould not only be appointed in the firſt inſtance by the Aſſembly, but vacancies ſhould always be filled up by the ſame power, and a viſiter ſhould only hold his place during good behaviour. A particular ſtate of the College, both with reſpect to the progreſs of literature therein and its revenues and expenſes, ſhould alſo be every year laid before the Aſſembly by the viſiters, that they might thereby be enabled to judge what was neceſſary to be done or directed for it.

By the old charter, the College is to conſiſt of only a preſident and ſix maſters, or profeſſors; but though this number might have been ſufficient for the purpoſes intended when the College was founded, and for the views of thoſe times, yet now, when opportunities of foreign education are cut off, when our divines, our lawyers, and phyſicians, in ſhort, when all orders, both in church and ſtate, are to receive their reſpective qualifications at our own ſeminaries, we ſhall find it neceſſary to enlarge our plan: And when we conſider ourſelves as an independent and a growing people, who ſhall one day make a figure amongſt the greateſt ſtates on earth, we ought to lay a foundation for ſuch an univerſity as would then do us no diſcredit. The neceſſary profeſſorſhips, as they occur to me at preſent, are 14 in number, and as follows: Of Divinity, of Oriental Languages, of Moral Philoſophy, Logick, Metaphyſicks, and Rhetorick; of Natural Philoſophy, of Aſtronomy, of Mathematicks, of Humanity, of the Modern Languages, of Hiſtory and Chronology; of Botany, of the Theory and Practice of Phyſick, of Chymiſtry, of Anatomy, and of Law. One of theſe might be appointed preſident, and have that title, and the powers thereto belonging, with an extraordinary allowance, but who ſhould ſtill perform the duties of his profeſſorſhip. I am ſenſible that the College funds, as they are at preſent, are by no means equal to the ſupport of ſo many profeſſorſhips; but this might be no objection to the eſtabliſh- of that number by charter, as a diſcretionary power might be given to the viſiters to appoint to the profeſſorſhips according to the circumſtances of the College. In ſome inſtances, one profeſſor might for a time do the duty of two, or even three, as in Divinity and the Oriental Languages, Mathematicks and Natural Philoſophy, and Aſtronomy, and in like manner perhaps in the medical department.

In that part of the old charter where the perſons are enumerated of whom the College is to conſiſt, graduates, as well as non-graduates, are mentioned, and in one of the ſtatutes the time under which no one ſhall be entitled to the degree of maſter or bachelor of arts is ſpecified; from which it may be inferred, that the College had a power to confer degrees in arts. The new charter might expreſsly declare that power, and extend it to the conferring of degrees in Law, Phyſick, and Divinity. It is almoſt needleſs to obſerve how much this would conduce to the advancement of every ſpecies of literature, and to the reputation of the College. A degree would be regarded as the honourable teſtimony of merit, and the diligence of the ſtudent would be excited to deſerve it. Let me add, that the character of the College would then be taken from thoſe alone who had graduated in it.

I know of what importance every moment of your time is to your country, but of ſuch conſequence is my ſubject that I will venture to claim a little more of your attention. GRAMMAR SCHOOLS, eſtabliſhed in different parts of the country, would render education ſtill eaſier and cheaper. They would prepare youth for the College, the laſt ſtage of a liberal education: and would afford, at an eaſy rate, an opportunity of acquiring ſome learning, to ſuch as are precluded by their circumſtances from a general acquaintance with the ſciences.

A. M.

*** Exceeding good WRITING PAPER, BLACK LEAD PENCILS, BLANK BOOKS, RED WAFERS, *&c. &c.* to be ſold at this office.

BOSTON, *October* 24.

BY a gentleman who was lately taken in one of the prizes, we learn that the empreſs of Ruſſia had offered his Britannick majeſty from 20 to 100,000 men for the ſervice of America; but that the people in England ſeemed rather averſe to hiring any more troops, being already burthened with taxes.

Yeſterday capt. Daniel Harthorne arrived at Salem, from a cruiſe. On his paſſage he met with an armed packet, which he attacked. In the engagement (which laſted two hours) he loſt 3 men killed, and 9 or 10 wounded, himſelf ſlightly. Since which, he has taken and ſent into Cape Anne a prize ſnow, with oats, &c.

The privateer commanded by capt. Carleton, which ſailed from Salem, on a cruiſe, about four weeks ſince, was taken near Canceau by the brig Hope, capt. Daviſon, a few days after leaving port, and carried into Halifax. Capt. Carleton, with ſome of the crew, made their eſcape, by ſwimming aſhore.

Laſt Thurſday was ſent into Heyhanneſs, by capt. Silas Atkins, the ſhip Heafield, from Ireland, bound for New York, having on board 70 puncheons of ſpirits, 70 ditto of porter, 350 tierces of bread, 50 ditto oatmeal, 61 ditto peaſe, 60 ditto pork, 70 ditto of beef, 100 caſks of butter, ſome ſweet oil, raiſins, candles, flour, and a number of other articles.

Same day was brought into this harbour by capt. Atkins a brig from Newfoundland, with 1500 quintals of green codfiſh.

Yeſterday arrived in this port a prize ſhip, from Antigua for London, with about 200 hogſheads of ſugar. She was taken by the Putnam.

Tueſday laſt arrived at Falmouth, Caſco Bay, a large brig, the Mary and James, commanded by Thomas Moore. She was from Falmouth in England, bound to Naples, laden with balls, boxes of goods, cotton, pepper, alum, tin, lead, &c. taken by capt. Forreſter, in the privateer ſloop Rover, from Salem.

Extract of a letter from Haerlem, *dated October* 8, 1776.

"The Heſſians plunder all indiſcriminately, Tories as well as Whigs. If they ſee any thing they want, they ſeize it, and ſay, *Rebel good for Heſſe-man*. A Tory complained to general Howe that he was plundered by the Heſſians, who ſaid he could nor help it, for it was their way of making war.---So the *friends of government* are protected! This is great encouragement for Tories.

NEWBURYPORT, *October* 25.

YESTERDAY arrived here the ſhip Nancy, John Cowan maſter, burthen about 200 tuns, bound from Corke, to Quebeck, taken by capt. John Lee of this place. Her cargo conſiſts of the following articles, viz. 80 barrels of beef, 320 ditto of pork, 200 firkins of butter, 100 barrels of oatmeal, 374 ditto of flour, 1200 buſhels of peaſe, 68,000 lb. of bread, 267 caſks of nails, 22 barrels and 2 half ditto of gunpowder, 1 arms cheſt with balls, &c. 16 carriage guns and 10 ſwivels mounted.

We hear that a Salem privateer has taken in the chops of the Engliſh channel two ſhips, one from Jamaica inward bound, and the other outward bound.

NEWPORT, *November* 4.

A FEW days paſt arrived ſafe, at an eaſtern port, a continental ſhip from France, having on board 3000 ſtand of arms, 300 barrels of powder, 100 cheſts of tin, dry goods, &c. the captain of which ſays there were great preparations in France for war, and a declaration may be expected very ſoon; ſhe had 7 weeks paſſage.---Some very agreeable intelligence by this veſſel it is thought not adviſable to make publick at preſent.

PHILADELPHIA, *November* 7.

WE are informed, by authentick intelligence, that an American ſloop of war of 12 guns and 70 men ſailed from the Delaware the 21ſt of Auguſt. She cruiſed between the latitudes of 39 and 33 N. and went to the eaſtward as far as the longitude of 50, having taken three prizes, a whaler and two Weſt Indiamen, and having had a very narrow eſcape from an Engliſh frigate, after ſix hours chaſe, part of her time within piſtol ſhot. On the 14th of September ſhe bent her courſe for Nova Scotia, and on the 20th had another action with an Engliſh frigate, and in the courſe of an eight hours chaſe ridiculed the enemy, and anſwered his broadſide with only a ſingle muſket. The next day ſhe went into Canceau, and took three Engliſh ſchooners with a Scotch Tory's flag, although the Savage and Dawſon's brig were within a few leagues diſtance. The day following ſhe took five ſail of Jerſeymen in Narrow Hook, and four more in Peter de Great. It is remarkable, that although their men were ten to one, they were ſo panick-ſtruck that they not only gave up their ſhips, but even aſſiſted to rig and carry them out of their harbour. The ſloop then proceeded to the weſtward, took another whaler on St. George's bank, and on the 7th of October arrived ſafe at Rhode Iſland, having manned and ſent in 8 prizes, viz. 6 brigantines, 1 ſhip, and 1 ſloop, and ſunk, burnt, and deſtroyed, 8 more, viz. 6 ſchooners, 1 ſhip, and 1 brigantine, and finiſhed her cruiſe in ſix weeks and five days.

Extract of a letter from Providence, *dated October* 22, 1776.

"The frigate called the Providence is gone to Newport. The Warren was under ſail laſt Sunday, and out-ſails all the boats in the river upon a wind, without mainſail or top-gallant ſails being ſet. How the Providence ſails I know not, as ſhe went down before the wind, directly from me. They are two very fine ſhips, a credit to our little ſtate. There have been brought into this port 32 prizes,---a pretty good beginning. There are now fitting out two 20 gun ſhips, and there will be ſoon two new brigs built on purpoſe for the buſineſs, to mount 18 ſix pounders each. This addition to our fleet will make no ſmall ſhow upon the liſt of our naval department."

We hear from Exeter (N. England) that a very valuable prize is carried into Falmouth, ſaid to be worth 80 or 90,000l. ſterling.

Extract of a letter from Fort Lee, *Oct.* 25.

"Head quarters is now above 20 miles from this place, and we have but little news we can depend upon till a day or two after the tranſaction. To-day, indeed, I heard the following, which may be worth communicating. One of the veſſels up the North river came before Dobb's ferry, with an intention to cut off the communication. She lay there one day, undiſturbed; but laſt night two field pieces were ſent down, and early this morning began to play upon her. They hulled her 11 times out of 15, upon which ſhe hoiſted ſail, but could make no way for want of wind, and was obliged to put out her boats and be towed off, all the time ſhe was expoſed to our fire. It is hoped this drubbing will prevent ſuch manœuvres for the future, and oblige the pirates to keep aloof. I am informed that ſeveral brigades of our army moved this day up to White Plains, ſo that almoſt all the army is now at that place. Little ſkirmiſhes happen almoſt every day, but they are thought ſo little of that they are ſeldom mentioned as news. The moſt conſiderable was that with Rogers's party, in which a number were killed and wounded, 36 taken priſoners, with 60 ſtand of arms. Two of the priſoners prove to be ſpies, and one a deſerter from us. Theſe, I hope, will be made examples of. Several Heſſians have been taken ſince.

October 26. "P. S. Since I wrote the above, I learn that the enemy have go between Kingſbridge and White Plains. That ground was left vacant by the removal of the brigades I have mentioned. A captain's guard only was left over ſome proviſion, till it could be moved. This day, about noon, the captain diſcovered about 100 light horſe, and as many infantry, making that may towards him; upon which he retreated to Fort Independence, and the enemy continued their route. Whether this was only a foraging party, or whether ſent to take the ground which he had left, I cannot tell. If the latter, I believe it will not be diſagreeable; for it is probable the brigades were moved higher up on purpoſe to give the enemy an opportunity of getting in, when they will not be very likely to get out undiſturbed."

Extract of a letter from Fort Lee, *Nov.* 2.

"Six gentlemen who eſcaped from the fleet inform us, that there are now 70 ſail of tranſports lying at Red Hook, to take in 3000 troops who are to go for Rhode Iſland."

By authentick intelligence from on board the laſt fleet from England, we are aſſured, that of the 6000 foreign troops in that fleeet one fourth part at leaſt were either dead or greatly afflicted with the black ſcurvy.

November 12. It is ſaid that 30 Heſſians have deſerted, and brought a braſs field piece into Fort Waſhington.

In CONGRESS, *November* 5, 1776.

RESOLVED, that all ferry-keepers be enjoined, as much as they are able, to expedite the paſſage of poſt riders, and other perſons charged with letters, deſpatches, or meſſages, from and to Congreſs; and that it be recommended to the ſeveral legiſlatures of the United States to enforce the obſervance of this reſolution.

That expreſſes and ſpecial meſſengers, employed in the publick ſervice, taking and carrying private letters or packets, ought not to receive the wages they would otherwiſe be entitled to.

WILLIAMSBURG, *November* 22.

LAST night an expreſs arrived from Congreſs, to his Excellency the Governour, with advice that on the 13th inſtant, about 10 o'clock in the morning, a number of veſſels appeared round the point of Sandy Hook, outward bound; that at 1 o'clock they amounted to about 100 ſail, two of them very large, and ſeemed to be ſtanding to the ſouthward.

A letter from col. Grayſon, one of general Waſhington's aids-de-camp, dated the 8th inſtant, ſays: "That general "Howe, having been baffled in all his "ſchemes, was then retreating with his "army towards New York; ſo that mat-"ters ſeemed to be pretty well ſettled for "this campaign. That Ticonderoga "was not inveſted the 26th of October; "and that they had accounts of general "Burgoyne's croſſing the lakes, on his "return to Quebeck."

We have a report that col. Chriſtian has concluded a treaty with the Cherokee Indians, upon their delivering 14 hoſtages, and engaging to put into his hands the incendiaries Stuart and Cameron, with others who had been the occaſion of their falling out with the white people; and that they have alſo agreed to make good the expenſes of the war, by ceding to us a proportion of their lands.

The Hon. the General Congreſs have judged it neceſſary to excuſe the ſeveral Conſtitutional Poſtmaſters, while in office, from all military duty.

Under the Tory head of intelligence from New York, we learn that our *old friend* the earl of Dunmore had taken up

his winter quarters in the BROADWAY of that city; a ſtreet which his lordſhip, there is good reaſon to believe, has been always much attached to.

Head quarters, White Plains, *Nov.* 8, 1776.

"We have certain information that the enemy are retreating towards Kingſbridge, in conſequence of which our general has ſent out ſtrong parties to harraſs their rear. He has acquired great honour in baffling the ſchemes of general Howe, who is moſt certainly diſappointed in his grand plan of ſurrounding our army. He has been employed in this buſineſs ſince the 17th of laſt month, and has now puſhed off without having benefited his cauſe in the ſmalleſt degree. His army have marked their march and retreat with every act of rapine and deſolation, not confining their depredations to the Whigs, for the Tories have equally ſuffered with them. It is alledged, that it is not in general Howe's power to reſtrain the Heſſians and other foreigners in his army, it being of too much conſequence to offend them for trifles."

Deaths.] Mrs. MARY THORNTON, ſpouſe of Sterling Thornton, eſq; of Glouceſter county, in the flower of her age. Her life was a life of innocence and piety; Her death ſerene, as the ſweeteſt ſleep.

WINNY FULKS, of Richmond county, in the publick hoſpital for lunaticks.

The addreſs of the officers of the 7th regiment to col. WILLIAM CRAWFORD.

WE beg leave to take this method of expreſſing our ſenſe of the warmeſt attachment to you, and at the ſame time our ſorrow in the loſs of a commander who has always been influenced by motives that deſervedly gain the unfeigned eſteem and reſpect of all thoſe who have the honour of ſerving under them. Both officers and ſoldiers retain the ſtrongeſt remembrance of the regard and affection you have ever diſcovered towards them; but as we are well aſſured that you have the intereſt of your country ever in view, we ſhould not regret, however ſenſibly we may feel the loſs of you, that you have choſen another field for a diſplay of your military talents. Permit us, therefore, to expreſs our moſt cordial wiſh, that you may ever find a regiment no leſs attached to you than the 7th, and that your ſervices may ever be productive of benefit to your country, and honour to yourſelf.

Col. CRAWFORD's *Anſwer.*

GENTLEMEN,

YOUR very affectionate and polite addreſs demands my warmeſt acknowledgements, which I beg leave to return to you in the ſtrongeſt terms of gratitude and affection. Be aſſured, the officers of the 7th regiment ever ſhare my tender regard; and I have great hopes that they will continue to merit the higheſt eſteem of their inſulted and injured country. My kind wiſhes will ever attend the loweſt ſoldier in the regiment.

My own abilities are ſmall; but I have this conſcious ſatisfaction, that they have been, and ſhall continue to be, exerted to the utmoſt in defence of American liberty, juſtice, and the rights of humanity.

I have the honour to be, gentlemen,
Your moſt humble ſervant,
W. CRAWFORD.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

By virtue of a deed of truſt, will be ſold to the higheſt bidder, on *Monday* the 2d of *December*, at mr. *Billie Hailey Avery*'s plantation in *Prince George* county, near *Cabin Point*,

SEVERAL *likely* NEGROES, *plantation utenſils, houſehold and kitchen furniture, with all the ſtock of cattle, ſheep, and hogs. Twelve months credit will be allowed for all ſums above* 50*s. on giving bond with approved ſecurity; the bonds to bear intereſt from the date.* ADAM FLEMING.

For SALE, or to be RENTED for one or more years,

A TRACT of LAND pleaſantly ſituated on *Pamunkey* river, in *New Kent* county, containing 200 acres, whereon is a convenient dwelling-houſe, and ſeveral out-houſes; alſo a tract containing 200 acres, about three miles from the other. Alſo a tract of 200 acres in *James City* county, on the navigable waters of *Chickahominy* river, whereon is a well built griſt-mill in good repair, with two pair of mill ſtones, and a good ſet of bolting cloths, a granary, ſtorehouſe, with a cooper and blackſmith's ſhop. Alſo another tract of level well timbered land on *Diaſcun* creek, in *James City* county, containing 215 acres. Long credit, if required, will be allowed, the purchaſers giving bond with good ſecurity, and paying intereſt. I have to hire, for the next year, two BLACKSMITHS with their tools, two CARPENTERS, and ſeveral pair of SAWYERS, ſome of them good WATERMEN.

B. DANDRIDGE.

THIRTY DOLLARS REWARD.

FREDERICK *county*, Virginia, *Nov.* 29, 1776.

RUN away on the night of the 17th of *June* laſt, from *Marlborough* iron works, *CHARLES WHITE*, an *Engliſh* convict, born in *Rutlandſhire*, by trade a ſtocking weaver, has been both in the land and ſea ſervice, is about 28 years of age, 5 feet 10 or 11 inches high, a ſtout able fellow, rather ſquare built, has ſhort dark brown hair, a pug noſe, high cheek bones, and ſmall eyes; had on a narrow brimmed felt hat, a ſhort fearnought coat, coarſe country linen ſhirt and trouſers, old ſhoes, with pewter buckles, but, being a notorious villain, he may ſteal other clothes, and change his dreſs. The mare it was ſuppoſed he had ſtolen, and advertiſed with him in *June* laſt, is recovered, and the villain himſelf has been twice apprehended, the firſt time at *Frederickſburg*, where he had entered on board an armed veſſel by the name of *Johnſon*, from whence he made his eſcape, and has ſince forged a paſs; afterwards taken at *Mancheſter*, in the county of *Cheſterfield*, where he confeſſed the theft of the mare abovementioned, and was committed to the jail of the county, but made his eſcape, and is now at large. It is ſuppoſed he will endeavour to enter into the ſervice of ſome of the ſouthern governments, as there was a recruiting party in the neighbourhood from whence he laſt made his eſcape; or, if poſſible, to the enemy, as he had uſed the moſt diabolical practices to corrupt the minds of his fellow ſervants before he firſt ran away. Should he be again taken, it is requeſted that he may be well ſecured; and whoever does ſo ſecure him, provided I get him, ſhall have the above reward, and if brought home, all reaſonable charges will be allowed by

ISAAC ZANE.

*** I want 10,000 CORDS of WOOD cut for the above works. Thoſe who incline to engage any part of the ſaid buſineſs are deſired to apply immediately to me, now in *Williamſburg*, or to the manager at the works.

STRAYED from me in *Williamſburg*, ſome time ago, a dark bay horſe about 14 hands high, with a hanging mane and ſwitch tail. He is branded on the left buttock with an S, but through time is almoſt defaced, and cannot be diſcerned but when cleaned or curried. He was formerly the property of mr. *Richard Charlton* of *Williamſburg*, but at preſent of lieut. *Denny* of the artillery. A reward of THREE DOLLARS will thankfully be given to any perſon who will deliver him to mr. *Ruſſell* at mr. *Robert Anderſon's*, or to me in *York* town.

1‖ WILLIAM PIERCE, jun.

To be RENTED to the higheſt bidder, on Monday *the* 2d *of* December,

CAPAHOSICK ferry, together with 50 acres of land, as formerly laid off. Poſſeſſion will be given on the 1ſt of *January*. THOMAS WHITING.

To be SOLD at publick auction, on Tueſday *the* 10*th of* December, *at the late dwelling-houſe of mr.* Thomas Haynes, *deceaſed, in* Warwick *county*,

ALL the perſonal eſtate of the ſaid deceaſed, conſiſting of valuable houſehold and kitchen furniture, horſes, black cattle, hogs, a fine flock of ſheep, corn, fodder, and plantation utenſils, a genteel houſe clock, a large new ſeine well fixed, and a conſiderable quantity of ſeaſoned oak and pine plank for ſhip building, *&c.* Twelve months credit will be allowed for all ſums above 20*s.* the purchaſers giving bond and approved ſecurity. 2‖

WILLIAMSBURG, *Nov.* 13, 1776.

I BEG leave to inform the publick, that ever ſince the 22d of *April* 1776 mr. *Richard Charlton* has not been concerned in the ſhop carried on by the ſubſcriber in this city, notwithſtanding the advertiſement ſince the above date which did ſignify we were in partnerſhip; but he, not coming up with any part of his agreement, cauſes the partnerſhip to be void. Therefore deſire all who are indebted to the ſhop ſince the above date to pay only to me, or my order. JAMES NICHOLS.

N. B. I am in want of wig blocks, cards, and bruſhes, and an aſſortment of well prepared hairs fit for wig-making. Any perſon that can ſupply me with them ſhall have a good price.

To be SOLD to the higheſt bidders, the 5*th of* December, *on the premiſes*,

A TRACT of LAND in *Amelia* county belonging to the eſtate of *William Lee*, deceaſed, containing about 600 acres, with valuable improvements thereon, alſo three likely negroes, all the ſtock of every kind, plantation tools, houſehold furniture, corn, *&c.* The land may be entered on immediately, and the time of payment to be made known at the day of ſale. Bond and approved ſecurity to be given to

2‖ The EXECUTORS.

TEN DOLLARS REWARD.

DESERTED from my company of regulars, ſtationed at *York*, THOMAS MAY, a likely young fellow about 5 feet 10 inches high, of a fair complexion, has ſhort ſandy hair, and was born in the upper end of *King & Queen*, where I have reaſon to believe he is now harboured.

2‖ GREGORY SMITH.

STOLEN *out of the ſubſcriber's paſture in* Amelia *county, on* Wedneſday *the* 9*th of* October *laſt, in the night, a bright ſorrel horſe about* 4 *feet* 9 *inches high,* 4 *years old laſt ſpring, has a blaze in his face, his hind legs half way to the knee white, a ſaddle ſpot on the near ſide of his back, a ſmall white ſpot on each ear about an inch from the top, a middling high rump bone, which ſeems to incline rather to the near ſide, has a ſhort thin hanging mane and a tolerable long ſwitch tail, paces ſlow, and trots and gallops very well. Whoever gives me any intelligence of him, ſo that I can get him again, ſhall have* 40*s. reward, and* 13 *l. on conviction of the thief, if a white man.*

‖ *JAMES HENDERSON.*

STRAYED or STOLEN from the ſubſcriber, living on *Rockfiſh* in *Amherſt* county, ſome time in *July* laſt, a likely ſorrel mare 4 years old paſt, 4 feet 10 inches high, paces well, with a ſmall ſtar in her forehead, a white mane and tail, and branded on the off buttock I D. Any perſon that will bring the ſaid mare to me ſhall have 5*l.* reward, or 40*s.* for giving intelligence ſo that I get her again.

NATHAN CRAWFORD.

THE *officers of the 2d regiment who are now recruiting will please to inform me immediately of their success, and so soon as their companies are completed to repair without loss of time to* Williamsburg.---*** *Letters directed to me near* Fredericksburg.

(2) *ALEX: SPOTSWOOD,*
Lieutenant colonel of 2d regiment.

A SOBER, careful, industrious man, well acquainted with the business of a COUNTY COURT CLERK, will hear of encouragement by applying to the Printer of this paper.

ALEXANDRIA, *October* 22, 1776.

THE subscriber has for sale, either by the hogshead or quarter cask, 20 hhds. of OLD JAMAICA SPIRITS, that have been in the country near four years.

HUGH STEUART.

For SALE,

A TRACT *of exceeding fine land in* Orange *county, about five miles from the courthouse, containing 500 acres. Any person inclinable to purchase may know the terms by applying to the subscriber in* Caroline *county, near the* Bowling Green.

2 *MUNGO ROY.*

For SALE,

THE noted place called *Farley's Ordinary*, in *Amelia*, containing about 270 acres of land, whereon are all suitable houses for cropping and publick-house keeping, a pasture under good fence, and as much cleared ground as will serve to work 6 or 7 hands, 60,000 corn hills whereof are sowed in wheat. For terms apply to *Mary Farley, John James Farley*, or to *William Crofs Craddock.* 2

LOST *from* Rappahannock *forge, in* King George *county (supposed to be stolen) a spotted gray horse about* 13 *hands high, with bushy mane and switch tail, short docked, has a goose rump, walks very brisk, carries his head low, trots and paces, is very free to gallop, shod all round, had on a pair of iron spancels, and branded on the near buttock I. Whoever conveys the said horse to the subscribers shall have* 30*s. reward, and all reasonable charges.*

(4) *SULLIVAN & WILKINSON.*

ALL marines out upon furlough, belonging to my quota, are desired immediately to repair on board the brig *Mushito*, capt. *Harris*.----Deserted, *Jesse Harden, Joseph Hairlow*, and *Thomas Meriman*, for apprehending each of whom I will give 3*l.* reward.

2 JACOB VALENTINE.

NOTICE is hereby given to the landholders of the borough of *Norfolk*, that application will be made to this General Assembly to pass a law to empower commissioners to lay out the said borough on a regular and convenient plan, and settle in what manner compensation shall be made to such persons as shall become sufferers thereby. It is expected that such as concur in the measure will sign a petition, or otherwise signify their concurrence to *William Roscow Wilson Curle*, esq; delegate for the said borough; and those who are against it will use such means to prevent the passing such act as they shall think proper. (2)

COMMITTED to *Brunswick* jail, on the 5th of *September* last, two outlandish negro fellows, who cannot or will not tell their masters names. One is about 5 feet 6 inches high, and about 40 years old; the other about 5 feet 5 inches high, and about 35 years old. They had on, when committed, two osnabrug wrappers a piece. The owners are desired to take them away, and pay charges to

LEWIS LANIER, jun.

For SALE,

A VERY *valuable tract of land on* Chickahominy *river*, Charles City *county, containing upwards of* 800 *acres, upon which are my ferry and ordinary, and all necessary buildings on the plantation. There is a large quantity of marsh adjoining the high land, capable of maintaining much stock, and the place is convenient to fishing and fowling. There is a fine apple orchard on the plantation, and the land abounds with fine pine timber. Any person inclinable to purchase may know the terms by applying to me, on the premises.*

THOMAS COWLES.

RUN *away last* June *from mr.* Peter Le Poole, *in* Charlestown, South Carolina, *a negro fellow named ELIJAH,* Virginia *born, of a yellow complexion, 5 feet* 10 *or* 11 *inches high, between* 22 *and* 23 *years of age, is a blacksmith by trade, and an excellent workman; had on when he went away a scarlet camlet waistcoat, buckskin breeches almost new, an osnabrug shirt, and a leather jockey cap. It is supposed, as he is an artful sensible fellow, that he will endeavour to pass for a freeman; therefore all persons are cautioned from harbouring him on any pretence whatsoever, under penalty of the severest prosecution. Whoever apprehends the said runaway, and delivers him to the subscriber, in* Hanover *county,* Virginia, *shall have 5l. reward.*

RICHARD BURNLEY.

RUN *away from the subscriber in* Hanover, *near* Allen's Creek *church, a short stout built mulatto fellow named JOHN, who had and took with him, when he went away, a pair of black calimanco breeches, a black* Virginia *cloth jacket, a cotton shirt, a pair of linen breeches, a scarlet jacket bound with gold twist, a holland shirt ruffled at the bosom, thread stockings, a* Virginia *cloth coat lined with sacking, and a pair of pumps with plated buckles in them. Whoever apprehends the said fellow, and delivers him to me, shall have* TEN DOLLARS *reward.* JOHN DAILEY.

STRAYED or STOLEN from the subscriber, baker near the *Capitol* in *Williamsburg*, the 15th of *September* last, a dark bay horse 13 hands high, with a roached mane and switch tail, paces, trots, and gallops, and branded on the near buttock M P. Also a bright bay horse 5 years old, 14 hands high, has a remarkable blaze much resembling the shape of a gun, hanging mane and switch tail, several saddle spots, paces slow, trots and gallops well, shod all round, and branded on the near buttock E H. Whoever brings the said horses to me shall have 20*s.* reward for each.

2 CORNELIUS DEFOREEST.

STRAYED or STOLEN from *York* town, the 22d of *October*, a bay horse 9 years old, 4 feet 7 inches high, with a star in his forehead, hanging mane and switch tail, a white spot on the inside of his left fore leg, some saddle spots, trots, paces, and gallops well. Whoever delivers the said horse to me, in *York* town, shall have TWO DOLLARS reward.

2 TARPLEY WHITE.

STOLEN out of my pasture in *Brunswick*, the night between the 16th and 17th of *October*, a stallion about 14 hands high, 12 or 13 years old, a fine deep bay, without any white about him, except perhaps a saddle spot or two, hanging mane and switch tail; his mane pretty thick, and hanging on each side his neck, trots and gallops well, but will, when pressed to it, pace a little, and is branded on the off buttock W. I will give 50*s.* to any person who will bring me the horse, and 5*l.* upon conviction of the thief.

(2) CHARLES LUCAS.

WILLIAMSBURG, *October* 31, 1776.

THE soldiers of the different regiments raised in this state, who have been indulged with furloughs for the recovery of their health, are ordered to repair to this place without loss of time. Those who abuse the indulgence given them, by not returning as soon as able to do duty, may expect to be treated as deserters.

ANDREW LEWIS, brig. gen.

On *Thursday* the 5th of *December* next will be sold to the highest bidder, at the plantation of *Henry Harrison*, deceased, in *Sussex* county,

A LARGE *quantity of corn and fodder, hogs, cattle, and plantation utensils. About* 20 *negroes then will be hired, among whom is a pair of sawyers; and the plantation, with sundry tenants, will be rented for a term of years. Bond, with undoubted security, will be required for all sums above* 50*s. The time of credit will be agreed on at the day of sale. All persons having demands against the said estate are desired to attend, that their claims may be adjusted.*

NATHANIEL HARRISON, adm.

To be SOLD, on Wednesday *the 27th of* November, *for long credit, and may be entered on this fall,*

A TRACT of LAND in the lower end of *Bedford*, known by the name of *Locust Thicket*, containing 5300 acres, well watered by three considerable branches of *Staunton* river, and very convenient to church or mill. There are all necessary buildings, almost new, with cleared land, under good fences, sufficient to work 15 hands. The whole will be laid off into lots of 4 or 500 acres. Bond and good security will be required by

EDMUND RUFFIN, jun.

PRINCE GEORGE, *October* 16, 1776.

To be SOLD to the highest bidder, on the premises, pursuant to order of Caroline *court, and agreeable to the will of mr.* John Watts, *deceased, late of said county, on* Thursday *the 28th instant* (November)

SEVERAL tracts or parcels of exceeding good LAND nearly adjoining, containing about 380 acres, lying on *Mattapony* river, within 3 miles of *Caroline* courthouse, whereon is a neat little dwelling-house with convenient out-houses, and the plantation in good order for cropping. Mr. *Thomas Laughlin*, who lives on the land, will show it to any person inclining to purchase, therefore a farther description is unnecessary. The purchaser will have 12 months credit, upon giving bond and security to

JOHN BUCKNER, sheriff.

N. B. All persons indebted to the said *John Watts*, deceased, for goods bought of mr. *Richard Watts*, or otherwise, are desired to take notice, that the monies are to be paid to JOHN BUCKNER.

INDIAN FIELDS, CHARLES CITY, *October* 20, 1776.

HAVING *purchased a place agreeable to my wishes, I would willingly sell the following tracts of land*, viz. *About 500 acres near the mouth of* Queen's *creek, on* York *river, three miles below* Williamsburg. *The situation is very high and beautiful, and the land good for any thing. Besides the advantages of fish and oysters, it affords a most excellent range for stock. Also 526 acres in* James City *county, within five miles of the city, whereon is a great quantity of the best kind of fire wood. A farther description of the above places is needless, as any person inclinable to purchase had better view them. For terms apply to me.*

(4) *JOHN TYLER.*

N. B. I will take negroes in part, and will divide the *James City* land so as to make two good places to suit any who may choose to sell wood.

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